IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: Phan, Tam T.

In re the application of: Susai et al.

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FOR EFFICIENTLY POOLING CONNECTIONS

BETWEEN CLIENTS AND SERVERS

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MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 21, 2006, and preliminary to further examination in accordance with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.